

Vito Borrello

From: Vito Borrello
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 9:46 AM
To: Ellis, Dawn
Subject: Re: Parents Council

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I have a draft! I'm just reviewing a bit more right now!

Vito

Vito J. Borrello

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On Tue, May 10, 2022 at 9:38 AM Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov> wrote:

Good morning – hope you're feeling better. Just checking the status.

Dawn

From: Ellis, Dawn

Sent: Monday, May 9, 2022 11:21 AM

To: 'Vito Borrello' <borrellov@nafsce.org>

Cc: Rhodes, Christian <Christian.Rhodes@ed.gov>; Meadvin, Hayley <Hayley.Meadvin@ed.gov>

Subject: RE: Parents Council

Hi Vito,

I hope all is well. Just checking on the status of the quote for the press release and if you need additional information from ED (written statement was sent in a separate email). If we could receive the quote today that would be great. Thanks.

Dawn

From: Ellis, Dawn

Sent: Friday, May 6, 2022 11:35 AM

To: Vito Borrello <borrello@nafsce.org>

Cc: Rhodes, Christian <Christian.Rhodes@ed.gov>; Meadvin, Hayley <Hayley.Meadvin@ed.gov>

Subject: RE: Parents Council

Happy FriYAY Vito – ED is preparing to launch the Council with a (tentative) target date of May 17. We would love a quote to include in the press release in support of the Council highlighting the important role that families and parents play in their children’s education and acknowledging that the Administration is working with them to help students recover. If you can send something no later than Monday at noon that would be great. Let me know if you have any questions. Take care.

Dawn

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Jaia Lent

From: Jaia Lent
Sent: Friday, May 20, 2022 3:18 PM
To: Ellis, Dawn; Ana Beltran
Subject: RE: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

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Thanks for the clarification. Sounds great.

From: Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 20, 2022 12:24 PM
To: Jaia Lent <JLent@gu.org>; Ana Beltran <abeltran@gu.org>
Subject: RE: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

Happy FriYAY – I did not directly respond to this question (below). It would be the latter but may be opportunities for orgs to be involved. Please refer to the attached document.

Dawn

One point of clarification, would you be looking for a Generations United staff person to serve on the council or is our role more behind the scenes and connecting caregivers to the work?

From: Jaia Lent <JLent@gu.org>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 4:28 PM
To: Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov>; Ana Beltran <abeltran@gu.org>
Subject: RE: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

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Dawn, we don't typically post other organization's press releases to our website but we could include in in our social media and/or electronic alerts.

From: Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 10:45 AM
To: Jaia Lent <JLent@gu.org>; Ana Beltran <abeltran@gu.org>
Subject: RE: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

Good morning –Oops! Thanks for catching that. I was moving too fast and should have swapped *National PLACE* with *Generations United*. Just asking if GU will post the press release on your website. Thanks.

Dawn

Also, please confirm National PLACE **Generations United** will post the press release on their website. Thanks.

From: Jaia Lent <JLent@gu.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:13 PM
To: Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov>; Ana Beltran <abeltran@gu.org>
Subject: RE: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

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Thanks, Dawn. We can get you a quote by then. Can you clarify the last sentence in your previous email? Did you intend to ask GU if we would post something about the council to our website?

From: Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 4:09 PM
To: Jaia Lent <JLent@gu.org>; Ana Beltran <abeltran@gu.org>
Subject: RE: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

Hi again – Please send the quote no later than Thursday noon but let me know if you need more time. Thanks.

Dawn

From: Ellis, Dawn
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 3:36 PM
To: 'Jaia Lent' <JLent@gu.org>; 'Ana Beltran' <abeltran@gu.org>
Subject: RE: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

Hi - I forgot to ask if you would send a quote to include in the press release in support of the Council highlighting the important role that families and parents play in their children's education and acknowledging that the Administration is working with them to help students recover. Also, please confirm National PLACE will post the press release on their website. Thanks.

Dawn

From: Ellis, Dawn
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 3:29 PM
To: Jaia Lent <JLent@gu.org>; Ana Beltran <abeltran@gu.org>
Subject: RE: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

Hi Jaia & Ana - thank you for the feedback. As you know ED was hoping to announce the Council on today, but it's been postponed. I will keep you posted on the launch date. Thanks again for your interest in joining the Council. In the interim, feel free to reach out to me with questions. Take care.

Dawn

From: Jaia Lent <JLent@gu.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 5:01 PM

To: Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov>; Ana Beltran <abeltran@gu.org>

Subject: RE: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

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Dawn,

Thanks for the addition of the caregiver language in these materials. We would love to have our name and logo included as part of the launch. I have attached our logo. One point of clarification, would you be looking for a Generations United staff person to serve on the council or is our role more behind the scenes and connecting caregivers to the work?

Thanks, Jaia

From: Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 1:56 PM

To: Ana Beltran <abeltran@gu.org>; Jaia Lent <JLent@gu.org>

Subject: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

Ana and Jaia,

Thank you for your interest in joining the U.S. Department of Education's National Parents and Families Engagement Council. We're excited to get this important working group off the ground and attached for your review are two documents that will provide a bit more context for the Council.

Close hold -- We're hoping to announce the Council next week on Tuesday, May 17. As part of the announcement, we'll launch a website with background information and distribute a press release. Please let me know if we can include your organization's name in the press release and on the website.

I'll be in touch soon with a date for the first Council meeting.

Thank you for all your help this past school year in making sure parent, family and caregiver voices were heard so that students can recover and thrive.

Looking forward to working together,

Dawn

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Family, School, & Community Engagement Newsletter (April)

Diana Autin

From: Diana Autin
Sent: Friday, May 20, 2022 3:41 PM
To: Ellis, Dawn
Subject: Re: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

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Sorry Dawn I have been swamped (b)(6) sent you a quote about an hour ago.

On Fri, May 20, 2022 at 12:11 PM Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov> wrote:

Happy FriYAY Diana – circling back on the quote. Thanks.

Dawn

From: Diana Autin <dautin@parentsatthetable.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 4:08 PM
To: Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov>
Subject: Re: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

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That works!

On Tue, May 17, 2022 at 4:05 PM Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov> wrote:

No later than Thursday noon but let me know if you need more time. Thanks.

Dawn

From: Diana Autin <dautin@parentsatthetable.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 3:39 PM
To: Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov>
Subject: Re: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

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We will definitely post the press release on our website and share it with our members throughout the country.

By when would you like the quote?

On Tue, May 17, 2022 at 3:35 PM Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov> wrote:

Diana – I forgot to ask if you would send a quote in support of the Council highlighting the important role that families and parents play in their children’s education and acknowledging that the Administration is working with them to help students recover. Also, please confirm National PLACE will post the press release on their website. Thanks.

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From: Diana Autin <dautin@parentsatthetable.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 3:29 PM
To: Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov>
Subject: Re: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

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Thank you for letting me know. I look forward to hearing back from you, I hope in the near future!

On Tue, May 17, 2022 at 3:27 PM Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov> wrote:

Hi Diana – thank you for the feedback. As you know ED was hoping to announce the Council on today, but it's been postponed. I will keep you posted on the launch date. Thanks again for your interest in joining the Council. In the interim, feel free to reach out to me with questions. Take care.

Dawn

From: Diana Autin <dautin@parentsatthetable.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 2:26 PM
To: Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov>
Subject: Re: National Parents and Families Engagement Council

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National PLACE would be happy to have our name in the press release and on the website.

On Tue, May 10, 2022 at 1:59 PM Ellis, Dawn <Dawn.Ellis@ed.gov> wrote:

Diana,

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From:

To: Vito Borrello

Subject: RE: Confidential Recommendations for Family Partners Council and National Parent Council

Vito,

Thank you so much for this. I will take a look today

From: Vito Borrello <borrellov@nafsce.org>

Sent: Saturday, April 16, 2022 6:13 PM

To: Watkins-Foote, Kimberly <Kimberly.Watkins-Foote@ed.gov>

Cc: Reyna Hernandez <hernandezr@nafsce.org>

Subject: Confidential Recommendations for Family Partners Council and National Parent Council

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Good afternoon Kim!

Attached are initial recommendations for organizations who could provide representation on the Department's Family Partners Council. Additionally, I recommended organizations for representation on the to-be-established Parent Council. Each of these organizations are either parent-led and/or train parents as leaders. They would be well positioned to recommend specific parents for consideration in serving that meet the Department's criteria.

We are pleased to assist with criteria if you wish. I would suggest that you consider both national and regional organizations for parent representation on the parent council. I'd also suggest that the representation be extremely diverse (race, geographic, socio-economic, urban, suburban and rural communities). I believe the organizations recommended can offer this diversity.

Pertaining to the organizations recommended for the Family Partners Council, I focused on organizations with a primary mission advancing family engagement in education. I also did not include organizations who advance their own specific program, but rather organizations who serve the broader field, therefore not providing one program with a strategic advantage over others. Let me know if this thinking makes sense to you or not.

Please let me know if you would like to schedule a call on Monday to discuss this list. Based on our conversation I can revise it accordingly.

Enjoy the weekend.

Best,

Vito

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From:
To: Alma El Issa
Cc: Erin Moore; Sara Morrison
Subject: RE: Family Parent Meeting

Hi Alma,

Sorry for the delay in responding, it's been a busy few weeks. Thank you for sharing the locations where UPLAN members

From: Alma El Issa (b)(6)
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2022 11:53 AM
To: Watkins-Foote, Kimberly <Kimberly.Watkins-Foote@ed.gov>
Cc: Erin Moore <erin@unitedparentleaders.org>; Sara Morrison <smorrison@choiceforall.org>
Subject: Family Parent Meeting

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Hi Kimberly,

First, thank you for working alongside us and partners to ensure parents/families voices and opinions are elevated at the federal level. This opportunity is indeed priceless!

Sara and I appreciated the time you spent chatting with us post-meeting. We were thrilled to share highlights with Erin, especially about your kind words on UPLAN's parent-led model and our organization's response to the National Parents and Family Engagement Council.

Attached is the document I shared on our member organizations committed to hosting a parent town hall and also those and the organizations that are interested but have questions. It's important for us to provide our membership with a response, especially because they took the time to respond and were excited about the possibility.

Lastly, please include UPLAN in the Title 1 briefing communications.

Thank you for your kind and gracious assistance!

Warmly,

Alma El Issa

From:
To: Erin Moore
Cc: Ellis, Dawn
Subject: RE: Embargoed Document Around Parent and Family Engagement at ED

Hi Erin,

So sorry for the delay in responding. Last week was insane and with Teacher Appreciation Week this week it's still quite crazy around here. I am copying Dawn on this so that she can get back to you in a more timely fashion than I have.

From: Erin Moore <erin@unitedparentleaders.org>
Sent: Monday, April 25, 2022 6:25 PM
To: Watkins-Foote, Kimberly <Kimberly.Watkins-Foote@ed.gov>
Subject: Re: Embargoed Document Around Parent and Family Engagement at ED

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Dear Kim,

I hope you are well! Alma and Sara reported back about their excitement about the Secretary's Family Partners' meeting. Thank you for all you (and your colleagues) did to welcome them in that space and facilitate their participation.

I'm checking in about the emerging plans for the Parents and Families Engagement Council. Do you have any updates on the timeline? This Thurs. 4/28, UPLAN has a meeting of the parent committee that I engaged to give feedback on the draft plans last month. Let me know if there are any updates I can share with them. I also think if we are getting closer to the timeline when UPLAN would be formally asked to nominate a parent or parents to the Council, I could start talking with the committee about an internal process for UPLAN to do so at this upcoming meeting. Let me know if you think that would be appropriate.

UPLAN also has our first in-person membership-wide convening since the pandemic coming up May 14-16 in Washington, D.C. We are expecting about 100 parent leaders and staff from their organizations to gather. Do you anticipate that the Parents and Families Engagement Council will have been made public by then? We would love to highlight this exciting example of the Administration's commitment to equity and community engagement during the program of our convening. We would also be happy to welcome a representative from ED to share about this news directly with UPLAN affiliates on a panel. There is time on our agenda on Sunday May 15 for this. Let me know if this is of interest.

I may be getting ahead of where we are in the process, so please let me know if so. I would be happy to talk by phone. I should be pretty available tomorrow between 1:30 and 5:00 ET at 773-505-2637. Thanks!

On Mon, Mar 28, 2022 at 11:28 AM Erin Moore <erin@unitedparentleaders.org> wrote:

Great! Thanks, Kim!

On Mon, Mar 28, 2022 at 9:37 AM Watkins-Foote, Kimberly <Kimberly.Watkins-Foote@ed.gov> wrote:

Good Morning Erin,

Thank you to you and the UPLAN team for your very thoughtful questions and feedback. We will share this information with the senior leaders and be back in touch soon.

From: Erin Moore <erin@unitedparentleaders.org>

Sent: Friday, March 25, 2022 5:48 PM

To: Watkins-Foote, Kimberly <Kimberly.Watkins-Foote@ed.gov>

Cc: McKesson, Precious <Precious.McKesson@ed.gov>; Walker, Serena <Serena.Walker@ed.gov>

Subject: Re: Embargoed Document Around Parent and Family Engagement at ED

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Hi Kim,

Thank you for your flexibility on the timeline of submitting these comments and questions. I have attached:

- A memo from the UPLAN parent Governing Council with questions and comments on the Department's plan for a National Parents and Families Engagement Council.
- UPLAN's 2021 proposal for a Parent and Family Advisory Council to the Department. The Governing Council thought this document, submitted to Dr. Aaliyah Samuel in July 2021, could be helpful context for some of our comments in the memo.
- A list of UPLAN's member organizations, including their locations. This is in response to your request to list 5-10 cities/locales where UPLAN has significant representation. The Governing Council did not feel we could go through a process to determine which locations have significant representation in the timeline requested. We would be happy to talk more about how UPLAN can best partner with the Department in determining which UPLAN member organizations would be the best fit to connect a parent to the Council.

Once again, in response to your question about whether UPLAN would like to connect a parent to the Council, our answer is a resounding yes!

Thank you again for your invitation to submit these comments! We look forward to hearing more about next steps.

On Wed, Mar 23, 2022 at 3:28 PM Watkins-Foote, Kimberly <Kimberly.Watkins-Foote@ed.gov> wrote:

Certainly, and thank you so much for taking the time. We truly value the relationship and parent voice we receive from UPLAN.

From: Erin Moore <erin@unitedparentleaders.org>

Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 3:58 PM

To: Watkins-Foote, Kimberly <Kimberly.Watkins-Foote@ed.gov>

Cc: McKesson, Precious <Precious.McKesson@ed.gov>

Subject: Re: Embargoed Document Around Parent and Family Engagement at ED

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Hi Kim,

I discussed the document with some parents from UPLAN's leadership team. First and foremost, UPLAN is interested in connecting a parent (or parents) to the Council!

We also have some reflections and questions to share about the document describing the Council, and we will share them in writing rather than requesting a meeting with Precious. Can we have until Friday EOD to submit

this?

Thanks, and more to come soon!

On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 8:01 AM Watkins-Foote, Kimberly <Kimberly.Watkins-Foote@ed.gov> wrote:

Hi Erin,

Thanks for responding so quickly. Your folks should send Precious an email to set up a time to have a conversation. Hopefully we'll be able to accommodate a couple conversations.

On Mar 20, 2022, at 3:00 PM, Erin Moore <erin@unitedparentleaders.org> wrote:

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Hi Kim,

Thank you for this information and invitation to engage with the Department in developing the mission and structure of the Council. I will share this with some parents from UPLAN's leadership so we can provide feedback and questions on the design. If the parents would like to engage verbally, what is the best way to coordinate that?

Thanks again!

On Fri, Mar 18, 2022 at 2:56 PM Watkins-Foote, Kimberly <Kimberly.Watkins-Foote@ed.gov> wrote:

Sorry, I forgot the attachment.

From: Watkins-Foote, Kimberly

Sent: Friday, March 18, 2022 3:52 PM

Subject: Embargoed Document Around Parent and Family Engagement at ED

Friends,

I hope this message finds you well.

As you know, the Secretary strongly believes that parents are core partners in the education of our children and has often said that parents are their children's first – and most important – teachers. As a parent and educator himself, the Secretary has seen the incredible value in the partnership between parents and families, educators, district leaders, and entire school communities to support student success.

Now more than ever, schools and districts must work closely with parents and families if we want to be successful in our efforts to keep our schools open safely and address the impacts COVID-19 has had on our Nation's students. To this end, the Secretary and staff at the Department have been working to build strong

relationships at the national and locals levels and your organization is key to the success of these efforts. The pandemic has put a spotlight on the deep relationships and connections needed between parents, families, schools and the school community.

To further these relationships, the Department hopes to facilitate key engagements with parents, families, teachers, and school staff critical for tackling learning loss and reimagining education. I am sharing with you today a draft outline for the development of a National Parents and Families Engagement Council as an opportunity for the Department to listen, learn and engage families. The Council would help to ensure parents' voices play a critical role in how their children are recovering from the pandemic academically, socially and emotionally.

We would appreciate your written or verbal feedback or questions on any of the following (but not limited to) by **Thursday, March 24th**:

- Timing for the launch
- Membership and structure of the Council
- Mission and purpose of the Council
- The role of national and local Council members
- Issues the Council should consider

We would also like to know if your organization is interested in providing a member to the Council (all organizations interested will be vetted prior to joining the Council). If interested in participating in the Council, please provide us with 5-10 cities/regions/locales where you have strong membership that could be engaged initially as we launch the Council.

Please keep this document as **close hold** and **do not share** it or its contents outside of your organization. I am happy to answer any questions or concerns you may have.

Thank you,
Kim



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From:
To: Jose Rodriguez
Subject: RE: National Parents and Families Engagement Council Member Form
Attachments: National Parents and Families Engagement Council Standards.pdf

Good morning Jose,

- In reviewing your submissions for the Parents Council, it appears that both names submitted are UnidosUS staff, including yourself. As outlined in the attached standards document, member organization submissions should:
 - Be family members or caregivers who are not on the national board or members of the executive committee, to represent the organization on the Council

Can you please

From: Jose Rodriguez <jrodriguez@unidosus.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 30, 2022 1:41 PM
To: Watkins-Foote, Kimberly <Kimberly.Watkins-Foote@ed.gov>
Subject: National Parents and Families Engagement Council Member Form

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Good afternoon Kimberly, attached is the form with the two UnidosUS council members.

Thank you,
Jose

Jose L. Rodriguez | Director, Parent and Community Engagement | Education

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National Parents and Families Engagement Council Standards

The National Parents and Families Engagement Council (the Council) is an opportunity to listen, learn and engage families and caregivers. The Council seeks to ensure parents' voices play a critical role in how their children are recovering from the pandemic academically, socially, and emotionally. The Council will help identify constructive ways for parents, families and caregivers to engage in their children's education. The goal of the Council is to be reflective of the diversity of the country and our public schools.

Each participating organization should:

- Have a national chapter that sets policy agendas and priorities;
- Oversee local and/or regional chapters that meet regularly with local stakeholders;
- Have a direct relationship to parents, families, caregivers and the school community(s);
- Be focused on helping foster productive conversations between parents, families, caregivers and schools related to recovering from the pandemic;
- Be committed to helping create strategic engagements between parents, families, caregivers and schools that will help students thrive.

As a Council participant, organizations are encouraged to:

- Assign 1-2 parents (family members or caregivers), who are not on the national board or members of the executive committee, to represent the organization on the Council
- Host quarterly local meetings or virtual roundtables/listening sessions
- Share content on the importance of family engagement on social media, including ways to engage productively
- Share Council-related content on their website, social channels, and/or newsletters

Organization's parent/family member/caregiver representative must be actively engaged in their community and have at least one school-aged student. Please take the following into consideration when selecting a representative:

- Parent/Caregiver's ability to reflect the concerns and issues of their particular community
- Parent/Caregiver's ability to bring a local perspective, but also be able to speak to national issues
- Parent/Caregiver's ability to communicate messaging effectively
- Parent/Caregiver's ability to develop comradery amongst peers
- Parent/Caregiver's ability to participate in national meetings, bringing topics gathered from local meetings to the table

The U.S. Department of Education reserves the rights to evaluate organizations and their parent/caregiver selections for the Council to ensure they align with the goals of the Council and allow the Council to maintain geographic, ethnic and gender diversity.

Meadvin, Hayley

From: Meadvin, Hayley
Sent: Tuesday, May 3, 2022 6:01 PM
To: Marisol Quevedo Rerucha
Cc: Keri Rodrigues; Rhodes, Christian; Thomas, Rachel; Watkins-Foote, Kimberly; Walker, Serena
Subject: RE: US Ed Briefing on National Parents Union Poll - April 2022

Looking forward to it!

From: Marisol Quevedo Rerucha <marisol@npunion.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 3, 2022 4:29 PM
To: Meadvin, Hayley <Hayley.Meadvin@ed.gov>
Cc: Keri Rodrigues <keri@npunion.org>; Rhodes, Christian <Christian.Rhodes@ed.gov>; Thomas, Rachel <Rachel.Thomas@ed.gov>; McKesson, Precious <Precious.McKesson@ed.gov>; Watkins-Foote, Kimberly <Kimberly.Watkins-Foote@ed.gov>; Walker, Serena <Serena.Walker@ed.gov>
Subject: Re: US Ed Briefing on National Parents Union Poll - April 2022

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Friday at 1pm ET is perfect! I will set up the calendar invite and zoom :)

Sent from my iPhone

On May 3, 2022, at 10:52 AM, Meadvin, Hayley <Hayley.Meadvin@ed.gov> wrote:

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Hi Marisol,

We'd love to do a briefing. Would tomorrow or Thursday at 12 pm work or Friday at 1 pm?

Hayley

From: Marisol Quevedo Rerucha <marisol@npunion.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 3, 2022 1:49 PM
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Subject: Re: US Ed Briefing on National Parents Union Poll - April 2022

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Hello Everybody,

Hope that this email finds you and your loved ones well.

The National Parents Union will be releasing our March poll soon. We did not hear back from your team with a date to review the April poll.

We want to maintain our commitment to keeping your team updated and connected to parents.

Please send us dates and times that work for your team.

Wishing you a great day,

Marisol Rerucha
Chief of Strategy and Partnerships
National Parents Union

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On Tue, 12 Apr 2022 at 17:23, Marisol Quevedo Rerucha <marisol@npunion.org> wrote:

Hello Everybody,

We are following up and would like to get a time set to debrief the March poll. Here are some dates and times (ET) that I see that Keri and I are available:

Thursday 4/14/22 10-11am

Monday, 4/18/22 1-2pm

Friday 4/22/22 11-5pm

If any of these work, feel free to send us an invite or let me know and I can set up the call.

Also, I sent a follow up email regarding the invitation to our National Convening to the Secretary's scheduling team following up from an email on 4/1/22. We appreciate any support in confirming his engagement with our parents.

Thank you all.

Chief of Strategy and Partnerships
National Parents Union

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On Fri, 8 Apr 2022 at 08:04, Keri Rodrigues <keri@npunion.org> wrote:

Thank you. We appreciate the consideration.

Here is information about the summit:

The proposed dates are September 1-6 at the Lone Rock Education Retreat Center in Bailey, Colorado. We can be flexible with any time within that window.

The purpose of the National Parents Union annual summit is convene the country's top parent advocates, activists and organizations representing all 50 states, Washington DC and Puerto Rico to build nationwide solidarity, united behind a common Parent Power Agenda and refocus the policy and political conversations around our North Star, the children of the United States.

The National Parents Union is an intersectional movement of more than 600 parent-led advocate, activist and community groups representing economically disadvantaged, Black, Brown, Indigenous, parents impacted by incarceration, rural, LGBTQIA, grandparent, foster parent and parents of children with special needs that unite behind a common agenda to advocate for economic, social and education justice for our children and families reaching more than 18,000,000 families nationwide.

We will send over some dates later this morning to see if they work for you.

Keri Rodrigues
President
National Parents Union

On Apr 7, 2022, at 1:53 PM, Rhodes, Christian <Christian.Rhodes@ed.gov> wrote:

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Hi Keri,

Apologies on my end. I've been on travel the past few weeks. Do you mind sending us a few dates and I'll work with the team to see if we can coordinate schedules.

I concur with Hayley's request on the convening. Can you please send a few sentences?

Christian Rhodes

From: Meadvin, Hayley <Hayley.Meadvin@ed.gov>

Sent: Thursday, April 7, 2022 1:49 PM

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Hi Keri –

I don't think I saw the most recent polling, but would love to do another briefing.

Sorry if you've shared this before, but do you have a few sentences on the townhall event?

Thanks so much for reaching out!

Hayley

From: Keri Rodrigues <keri@npunion.org>

Sent: Thursday, April 7, 2022 1:08 PM

To: Rhodes, Christian <Christian.Rhodes@ed.gov>

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Hello friends:

Just wanted to follow up to see if you had a chance to review the most recent polling information from March that we sent along about two weeks ago. I know we promised to do another follow up briefing as we continue to get more data and information from the field and wanted to find out if we want to set up a time to make that happen.

Also, followed up regarding the suggestion that we invite the Secretary to our annual convening to talk with parents from all 50 states in a town hall. We have been unsuccessful in being able to secure a date on his schedule and even ended up postponing the event for an additional 3 months to see if we could find a time that would work, but are still being met with reluctance from his scheduler. Happy to stop chasing him if US Ed is not interested in this opportunity, but did want to flag for the group that we had tried our best.

Let me know what time might work for your schedules regarding the poll briefing and we are looking forward to continuing the conversation. Our next poll regarding parent views on how they felt the 2021-2022 school went overall will go into the field later this month.

Best,

Keri

Keri Rodrigues
President
National Parents Union